

National Weather Service Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



January 1997 Time Local/ Path Length Path Width Number of Estimated Persons Damage IOWA, Northeast IAZ008>011-018>019-Mitchell - Howard - Winneshiek - Allamakee - Floyd - Chickasaw - Fayette - Clayton 029>030 1900CST 0400CST 15 16 Winter Storm Strong winds gusting to 40 mph caused considerable blowing and drifting snow. Travel was impossible in areas west of Decorah and West Union due to whiteout conditions. IAZ008>011-018>019-Mitchell - Howard - Winneshiek - Allamakee - Floyd - Chickasaw - Fayette - Clayton 029>030 0400CST Extreme Windchill 2100CST Wind chills of 35 below to 55 below persisted throughout the day, forcing schools to close across northeast Iowa. MINNESOTA, Southeast MNZ079-086>088-Wabasha - Dodge - Olmsted - Winona - Mower - Fillmore - Houston 094>096 1900CST 0400CST Winter Storm Strong winds gusting to 40 mph caused considerable blowing and drifting snow. Travel was impossible in areas west of Rochester due to whiteout conditions MNZ079-086>088-Wabasha - Dodge - Olmsted - Winona - Mower - Fillmore - Houston 094>096 0400CST 2100CST 16 **Extreme Windchill** Wind chills of 40 below to 60 below persisted during the day, prompting the closure of schools throughout southeast Minnesota. MNZ079-086>088-095 Wabasha - Dodge - Olmsted - Winona - Fillmore 0000CST **Heavy Snow** 1200CST 6 to 8 inches of accumulation was the rule as a slow moving band of snow advanced across southeast Minnesota. WISCONSIN, Southwest WIZ017-029-032>034-Taylor - Clark - Buffalo - Trempealeau - Jackson - La Crosse - Monroe - Juneau - Adams - Vernon - Crawford - Richland -041>044-053>055-061 Grant 1900CST 0400CST Winter Storm Winds of 20 to 30 mph caused considerable blowing and drifting snow. Travel became nearly impossible in open country and higher terrain where visibility was reduced to less than 1/4 mile WIZ017-029-032>034-Taylor - Clark - Buffalo - Trempealeau - Jackson - La Crosse - Monroe - Juneau - Adams - Vernon - Crawford - Richland -041>044-053>055-061 Grant 16 **Extreme Windchill** Wind chills of 30 below to 50 below forced the closure of schools throughout western and central Wisconsin. WIZ017-029-032>033 Taylor - Clark - Buffalo - Trempealeau 0200CST 1400CST 24 **Heavy Snow** A slow moving band of snow brought 6 to 9 inches of accumulation from Alma and Fountain City to Whitehall, Neillsville and